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## ALLARD AND C. U. PRESIDENT SEEK APPLICANTS FOR 2002 CAPITAL CONFERENCE IN MAY PARTICIPANTS TO MEET WITH LEADERS IN WASHINGTON

Denver, CO – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-CO) and University of Colorado President Elizabeth Hoffman are looking for 100 Coloradans to participate in the Fifth Annual Allard Capital Conference to be held from May 15 to 18, 2002 in Washington, D.C..

"This conference is a unique opportunity for Coloradans to meet and interact with political leaders and high ranking government officials in Washington, D.C. up close and personal," said Senator Allard. "Over the past four years, this conference has gotten better and better each year. I anticipate this year's conference to be the best one yet. Participants in this year's conference will have the opportunity of a lifetime: to see first-hand how Washington works."

"The University of Colorado is proud to co-sponsor the Allard Capital Conference for the fifth consecutive year," said President Hoffman. "Given September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001 and its aftermath, this year's symposium will be a unique moment in history to meet our national policymakers and to understand, first hand, what America has learned and how we are moving forward."

Allard said this year's invitation list includes Vice-President Dick Cheney, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, Senate Majority Leader Tom Dashle, Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Secretary of State Colin Powell, Secretary of Interior Gale Norton, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs-of-Staff General Richard Meyer, CIA Director George Tenet, U.S. Senator Jim Jeffords (I-VT), U.S. Senator Hillary Clinton (D-NY), former Presidential candidate U.S. Senator John McCain (R-AZ), possible Presidential candidate U.S. Senator John Kerry (D-MA), and Ranking Member of the Senate Armed Services Committee U.S. Senator John Warner (R-VA), in addition to the entire Colorado congressional delegation.

Anyone interested in attending the conference should contact one of Senator Allard's state offices or his web page at <a href="http://allard.senate.gov/acc">http://allard.senate.gov/acc</a> to obtain an application. The registration fee is \$400. Participants are also responsible for their hotel and transportation costs. The deadline for applications is February 16, 2001.